Projects with the Ministry

*203. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the projects on hand with Ministry as on the 28th February, 2006;

(b) the details of various projects in the State of Gujarat; and

(c) whether Government agree that there is great scope in Gujarat due to availability of desert, arid zone and longest coastline?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) The project proposals for the grant of Central financial assistance under various schemes/programmes of this Ministry are received from, among others, State Nodal Agencies on a regular basis. At times, these proposals are found to be incomplete or not in line with the provisions of the schemes/programmes. Complete proposals are considered and approved subject to budget provision, which is a continuous process.

(b) Details of cumulative achievements under various renewable projects/programmes, as on 31.03.2006 in Gujarat are given in the enclosed statement *(See* below*)*.

(c) The estimated potential in Gujarat under wind power is 9675 MW, small hydro 157 MW, bagasee cogeneration 200 MW and waste to energy 112 MW. Although solar and tidal grid-interactive power are technially feasible, they are yet to reach commercial viability.

Statement

Details of cumulative achievements under various renewable schemes/programmes, as on 31.03.2006 in Gujarat

Sl. No.	Sources/Systems	Achievements (as on 31.03.2006)
1	2	3
1.	Wind Power	338.10MW
2.	Small Hydro Power (up to 25 MW)	7.00 MW
3.	Biomass Power	0.50 MW
4.	Biomass Gasifier	15.21 MW
5.	Waste to energy	2.95MW

1	2	3
6.	Remote Village Electrification	38 villages
7.	Family Type Biogas Plants	3.79 lakh
8.	Solar Photovoltaic Programme	
	i. Solar Street Lighting System	2004 nos.
	ii. Home Lighting System	4952 nos.
	iii. Solar Lantern	31603 nos.
	iv. Solar Power Plants	29.90 kWp
	v. Solar Cookers	114595 nos.
9.	Wind Pumps	646 nos.
10.	Solar Photovoltaic Pumps	85 nos.
11.	Energy Parks	14 nos.
12.	Aditya Solar Shops	07 nos.
13.	Battery Operated Vehicle	02 nos.

MW=Megawatt, kWp=kilo Watt peak, nos.=numbers

Sub-categorisation of Dalits

*204. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Law and Justice has opined that sub-categorisation of Dalits would run foul of the Supreme Court order in view of the proposals being made for quota-regime within the Dalits;

(b) if so, whether the wide spectrum of divergent opinion from different quarters has been taken into consideration; and

(c) whether there will be a uniform quota-regime system throughout the country or will it differ from State-to-State?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) The Ministry of Law & Justice,